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FOLLOWING REPEAT CANBERRA 5782 ACTION DEPT AUG 20TH.

QUOTE: C O N F I D E N T I A L CANBERRA 5782

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SUBJ: LETTER FROM ANDREW PEACOCK TO HENRY A. KISSINGER RE
LOS CONFERENCE

1. FOLLOWING IS LETTER RECEIVED BY EMBASSY FROM FONMIN
ANDREW PEACOCK TO HENRY A. KISSINGER. LETTER IS BEING
POUCHED.

QUOTE CANBERRA, A.C.T. AUSTRALIA, 9 AUGUST 1976.

"MY DEAR HENRY:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIMELY LETTER CONCERNING THE LAW OF
THE SEA CONFERENCE. I AGREE ENTIRELY WITH WHAT YOU SAY ABOUT
THE CRITICAL IMPORTANCE OF THE NEGOTIATIONS AND ABOUT THE
NEED TO AVOID OPENING UP DISCUSSION AT THE CURRENT SESSION
OF THE ISSUES ON WHICH CONSENSUS HAS ALREADY BEEN ACHIEVED.

"THE AUSTRALIAN DELEGATION HAS ALSO BEEN INSTRUCTED TO
WORK HARD TOWARDS ACHIEVING CONSENSUS ON THOSE ISSUES WHICH
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REPRESENT THE HARD CORE OF THE AGREEMENT THAT IS BEING SOUGHT,

AND I ASSURE YOU THAT IT WILL CONTINUE TO COOPERATE CLOSELY
WITH THE UNITED STATES DELEGATION.

"I HAVE DRAWN TO THE ATTENTION OF MY DELEGATION THE VERY
IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS OUTLINED IN YOUR LETTER, AND
I WOULD CERTAINLY WELCOME ANY ADDITIONAL IDEAS YOU MAY HAVE
AS TO HOW WE MIGHT FURTHER THE NEGOTIATIONS. I CAN ASSURE
YOU IN THE MEANTIME THAT I, TOO, WILL BE WATCHING DEVELOP-
MENTS CLOSELY AT THE CONFERENCE, AND WILL CERTAINLY BE
READY TO JOIN YOU AND OTHERS, IF NECESSARY, IN PERSONALLY
INVOLVING MYSELF, IF IT WILL CONTRIBUTE TO A QUICK AND
POSITIVE OUTCOME.

"YOURS SINCERELY,

S/S

ANDREW PEACOCK

"THE HONOURABLE HENRY A. KISSINGER
SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON D.C. 20520
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA END QUOTE HARGROVE

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